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Docket No.: 60188-116

PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :  
: H. NAKAOKA, et al. :  
: Serial No.: Divisional of : Group Art Unit: To be assigned  
: Appln. Serial No. 09/099,195 :  
: Filed: December 28, 2001 : Examiner: To be assigned  
: For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE SAME

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, after the title, please insert the following:

--This application is a divisional of U.S. Patent application Serial No. 09/099,195, filed June 18, 1998.--.

On page 4, line 15, change "battier" to --barrier--.

**REMARKS**

The above amendment to the specification has been made to incorporate the prior

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